

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**Call to Order:** Chair Alan Redfield, on February 7, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Alan Redfield, Chair (R)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Scott Staffanson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)  
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)  
Rep. Becky Beard (R)  
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)  
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)  
Rep. John Fleming (D)  
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)  
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)  
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. James O'Hara (R)  
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)  
Rep. Zac Perry (D)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)  
Rep. Walt Sales (R)  
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)  
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Sydney Kessel, Committee Secretary  
Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:** HB338 02/07/2017

00:01:12 Chair Redfield relinquishes Chair to Vice Chair Staffanson

**HEARING ON HB 377**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:27 Rep. Alan Redfield (R), HD 59, opened the hearing on HB 377, Providing rules for calculation of milk license fees.

00:01:33 Rep. Olsen joins the meeting

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:02:43 Levi Ostberg, Montana Farmers Union (MFU)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:03:53 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau

**EXHIBIT(agh27a01)**

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:07:29 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway  
 00:07:55 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:09:53 Rep. Curdy  
 00:10:30 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:10:43 Rep. Ricci  
 00:11:19 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:11:32 Rep. Olsen  
 00:11:51 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:12:40 Rep. Sales  
 00:12:59 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:13:22 Rep. Sales  
 00:13:31 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:13:45 Rep. Sales  
 00:13:55 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:14:31 Rep. McKamey  
 00:14:54 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:15:07 Rep. Hamilton  
 00:15:39 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:16:14 Rep. Hamilton  
 00:16:26 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:16:35 Rep. Fleming  
 00:17:04 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau  
 00:17:17 Rep. Fleming  
 00:17:50 Rep. Redfield  
 00:18:16 Rep. Fleming  
 00:18:25 Rep. Redfield  
 00:18:39 Rep. Sales  
 00:18:56 Rep. Redfield  
 00:19:29 Rep. Hamilton

00:20:00 Rep. Redfield  
00:20:25 Chair Staffanson  
00:20:51 Chad Lee, Milk Control Bureau

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:22:06 Rep. Redfield  
  
00:22:34 Rep. Curdy  
00:23:02 Vice Chair Staffanson  
00:23:19 Chair Redfield  
00:23:31 Rep. McKamey

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 157**

00:23:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HB 157 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**  
Motion carried 12-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Bachmeier, Rep.  
Curdy, Rep. Fleming, Rep. Funk, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Perry, Rep.  
Pierson and Rep. W. Sales voting no. Rep. Windy Boy was excused.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:26:18

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Sydney Kessel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([agh27aad.pdf](#))